

Sinclair Broadcasting's decision to force their stations to air an anti-Kerry documentary days before the election is a clear example of the dangers of media consolidation.

Sinclair uses the public airwaves free of charge, and is obligated by law to serve the public interest. But when large companies control the airwaves, we get more of what's good for the bottom line and less of what we need for our democracy. Instead of something produced at "News Central" far away, it's more important that we see real people from our own communities and more substantive news about issues that matter.

Sinclair's actions show why we need to strengthen media ownership rules. For Democracy to truly work, the citizens need to have unbiased and accurate information. When you do not uphold your responsibility to the citizens, you are participating in the death of Democracy. The Bush administration says it is fighting for Democracy in Iraq while media companies like Sinclair are trying to destroy Democracy at home. Please remember your responsibility to our citizens. Thank you.